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FEES CALCULATION: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:					
	NOW	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	<u>\$</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS				X \$ 18 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS				X \$ 88 =	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CLAIMS FEES =					
Reduction by ½ for small entity status of applicant					
SUBTOTAL =					
Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition)					
Other fee for					
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A CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$ * is enclosed.

X The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee, additional fee or extension fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555:

(1) if no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith; or

(2) if no petition for extension of time is enclosed but an EOT is required - and in this event, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Date: 8 December 2004

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 24, 2004, and without addressing the positions of the Examiner as set forth therein, Applicants elect Group II, claims 10-17 drawn to a method of treating or preventing a coagulase-negative staphylococcal infection in a patient comprising administering to the patient a sufficient amount of an antibody which can bind to *S. epidermidis* SdrG protein or the ligand binding region A of *S. epidermidis* SdrG protein.

In light of the response above, examination and allowance of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 8, 2004

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